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CONGREGATIONAL STATISTICS.

Name of Congregation,
Date of Formation,
Stations connected,
Average Attendance,
Members added, 18
Members Removed,
Members on the Roll,
Children of Members,
Number of Elders,
Baptisms,
Deaths,
Number in Sab. Classes,
Number in other Classes,
General Prayer Meeting,
Fellowship Meetings,
Libraries,
Missionary Society,
Collected for Synod Fund,
Collected for Academy,
Collected for Mission Scheme,
Collected for General Missions,
Raised by Collections,
Raised by Seat Rents,
Raised by Subscriptions,
Places of Worship erected in the bounds,
How is property deeded?
Amount of Debt,
Debt liquidated,
Stipend promised,
Stipend paid,
Total Income,
Total Expenditure,

MINUTES OF THE TENTH SESSION

OF THE

SYNOD OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA, &c.

N. B.—As the Roll is called at every Sederunt, and the Minutes of the preceding Sederunt read, corrected, and approved of, it is judged unnecessary to encumber the Minutes with a perpetual repetition of these forms.

Hamilton, Tuesday, 5th June, 1849.

I. SEDERUNT.—*7 o'clock, p. m.*

The Synod of the United Presbyterian Church in Canada met, and after Sermon by the Moderator, the Rev. David Coutts, from Ps. cxv. 6, was constituted.

The Roll was called. (See the table of attendance.)

The Rev. Messrs. Kennedy & Scott, being present, were invited to correspond.

Mr. Dick translated from Emily to Richmond Hill.

The Presbytery of Toronto reported, that they had loosed the Rev. James Dick, from the charge of the congregation of Emily, and inducted him into the charge of the congregation of Richmond Hill on the 14th of March last.

Mr. Caw, Moderator.

The Rev. David Caw was now chosen Moderator.

Committees, Bills and Overtures.

Appointed Messrs. Christie, Dick, and Skinner, Ministers; and Messrs. Robert Christie, Andrew McKnight, and George McVicar, Elders, a Committee of Bills and Overtures, to meet here to-morrow morning at 8 o'clock.

To audit Treasurers' Books.

Appointed Messrs. Drummond and Barrie a Committee to audit the Treasurers' accounts.

Appointed Messrs. Kennedy and Henderson to conduct the devotional exercises of Synod to-morrow forenoon.

To examine Minutes of Presbyteries.

Appointed the following Committee to examine Minutes of Presbyteries, viz:

Messrs. Dalrymple and Porteous, to examine the Minutes of the Presbytery of London,—Messrs. Roy and Barrie, the Minutes of the Presbytery of Toronto,—Messrs. Coutts and Dick, the Minutes of the Presbytery of Flamboro',—and Messrs. Lawrence and Pringle, the Minutes of the Presbytery of Canada East.

On the distribution of Preachers.

Appointed Messrs. Coutts, Barrie, and John Proudfoot a Committee of Supply for the distribution of preachers. Mr. Coutts, Convener.

Mr. Proudfoot reported that 1000 copies of the documents and papers of the Committee on Union were printed and now ready for delivery into the hands of Synod, whereupon Messrs. Thornton, Christie, Drummond, Barrie, Dalrymple, and Jennings, Ministers; and Messrs. Robert Christie and McVicar, Elders, were appointed a Committee to devise a plan for putting those documents and papers into immediate and general circulation. Mr. R. Christie, Convener.

To distribute the papers by the Committee on Union.

Adjourned to meet here to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

II. SEDERUNT.—*Hamilton, Wednesday, 6th June, 1849, a. m.*

The Synod met and was constituted by the Revd. David Caw, Moderator.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Messrs. Henderson and Kennedy.

Sederunt. (See table.)

Report of the Committee of Bills and Overtures.

The Committee of Bills and Overtures reported the following matters of business, and recommended that the several subjects be taken up and considered in the order in which they are stated.

1st. Report of Committee on the Theological Institute. (See Minutes of last Synod, p. 95.)

2nd. Report of Committee to visit Theological Institute.

3rd. Report of Committee on Missions.

4th. An Overture by Mr. Thornton respecting the afflictive dispensations of Providence towards the Jamaica Mission.

5th. An Overture by Mr. Dick anent an uniform Deed, for all church property; transmitted by the Presbytery of Toronto.

Report of the Committee on Theological Institute.

Mr. Roy, Convener of the Committee on the Theological Institute, reported that he had called a meeting

of the Committee in February, and that therefore only one member attended, and that he did not think it expedient to call another meeting before the meeting of the Synod. On motion, the Report was received, and the Committee discharged.

Report of visiting committee.

The Report of the Committee appointed by last Synod to visit the Theological Institute was read by Mr. Jennings.

On motion by Mr. Dick, seconded by Mr. Thornton, the report was received and the diligence of the Committee approved of.

Theological Institute changes proposed.

It was moved by Mr. Lawrence, seconded by Mr. Thornton, that the Synod now proceed to make such arrangements in the matter of the Theological Institute as may appear most conducive to the success of the Institute and the prosperity of the church.

The Roll was called and opinions of members heard.

On motion by Mr. Thornton, seconded by Mr. Coutts, it was unanimously agreed, that owing to the change now effected in King's College, whereby it is made a Provincial University, it is no longer necessary that the object of the Institute extend beyond the teaching of Theology.

Adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

III. SEDERUNT.—*Same day and place, 2 o'clock, p.m.*

The Synod met, and was constituted by the Rev. David Caw, Moderator.

Sederunt. (See table.)

Petition for aid from the Fund from New Glasgow.

The Committee of Bills and Overtures transmitted a petition from the Congregation of New Glasgow, in Canada East, for aid from the Fund.

Supply to the Presbytery of Canada East.

The Committee on the Distribution of Preachers were instructed to assign to the Presbytery of Canada East a proportionate amount of supply for the present year. Resolved, that no farther supplies be granted to said Presbytery, while they neglect to report to the Synod the number of their vacancies.

Ordered that the Clerk of Synod communicate with the Clerk of the Presbytery of Canada East on this matter, without delay, and instruct him to forward the appointments of preachers assigned to it.

Resumed the business interrupted by adjournment.

Proposed changes in the Theological Institute.

On motion, it was agreed that in the meantime, the Seat of the Theological Institute shall be at Lon-

don, till the arrangements contemplated to be made by the Committee previously appointed (Printed Min., p. 95, 96,) shall warrant its removal.

Messrs. Roy, Jennings, Dalrymple, Proudfoot and Dick, Ministers; and Messrs. Robert Christie, and McVicar, Elders; were appointed a Committee to consider of the arrangements necessary to be made respecting the Theological Institute, in terms of the previous minute; Mr. Roy Convener. Said Committee to report at the second Sederunt to-morrow.

Report of the Committee on Missions

Mr. Roy read the report of the Committee on Missions; which, on motion, was received, and the diligence of the Committee approved of.—(See Report in Appendix.)

Adopted.

The recommendations of the Report were taken into consideration *seriatum*, and were adopted.

It was ordered that besides the printing of said document in the minutes, 500 copies in addition be printed for circulation in the congregations.

Commitee on Missions.

Messrs. Proudfoot, Dalrymple, Jennings, Drummond and Taylor, Ministers; and Messrs. Beattie, David Christie, Hunter, Chisholm and Roy, Elders; were appointed a Committee on Missions. Mr. Dalrymple, Convener.

Adjourned to meet at 6½ o'clock.

Concluded with prayer.

IV. SEDERUNT.–*Same day and place, 6½ o'clock, p.m.*

Mr. Thornton's Overture respecting the Jamaica Mission.

The Synod met, and was constituted by the Rev. D. Caw, Moderator.

Agreed to take up Mr. Thornton's Overture respecting the Divine dispensation towards the Jamaica Mission, of the following tenor, viz.:—"That, whereas, the Divine dispensations toward our Missionary Brethren in Jamaica have of late been of a peculiarly solemn and afflictive character, inasmuch as several of them have been called away from the field of labour, in the midst of their days and usefulness; and as we sympathize with those so intimately connected with us, not only by the ties of our common faith, but of our common labour in the vineyard of the Lord: and inasmuch as the Canadian Mission has been very long and wonderfully sustained entire:—it is hereby respectfully overtured,—That this Synod express the deepest sympathy with the Jamaica Missionaries, and render thanks also to our Father in Heaven, who has during many years of toil sustained and blessed the members of this Synod with an unusual degree of health and ability for the work, to which we are devoted.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) R. H. Thornton.

Committee to draft a letter of condolence.

Appointed Messrs. Thornton, Drummond and Fisher a Committee to draft a letter of condolence to our Missionary Brethren in Jamaica, under the distressing bereavements which they have suffered for some time back. Mr. Thornton, Convener. To report to-morrow.

Letter of condolence to the missionaries in Old Calabar and Caffraria.

On motion by Mr. Dick, seconded by Mr. Skinner, it was agreed that letters of condolence be sent to the Missions in Old Calabar and Caffraria.

Mr. Dick and Mr. Skinner were appointed a Committee to draft said letters, and to report at the second Sederunt to-morrow. Mr. Dick, Convener.

Mr. Thornton reported from the Committee to devise a plan for putting the documents of the Committee on Union into immediate circulation. The report was received and approved of.

Mr. Kennedy read a Report of his labours as an Evangelist.

Mr. Kennedy read an extended report of his labours as an evangelist within the bounds of the several Presbyteries of Western Canada.

Adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9 o'clock, A. M.

Closed with prayer.

V. SEDERUNT.—*Hamilton, 7th June,* 1849, *Thursday, 9 o'clock, a. m.*

The Synod met, and was constituted by the Rev. David Caw, Moderator.

£2 allowed to Mr Kennedy for tracts.

On motion by Mr. Dalrymple, it was agreed that Mr. Kennedy be allowed to draw on the Synod's Treasurer for the sum of Two Pounds, to procure a supply of Tracts for distribution.

Mr. Barrie reported from the Committee on the distribution of supply. The report was approved of.

Petition from New Glasgow granted.

Read and received, a petition from the Congregation of New Glasgow, praying for supplement of Stipend to the amount of £60; also, recommendation of the prayer of said petition by the Presbytery of Canada

East. Agreed to transmit the petition to the Treasurer of the Synod's Grant, and authorize him to remit to Mr. Lowden the sum of Thirty Pounds for the current half year.

Committee on Missions to correspond with Mr. Lowden.

Instructed the Committee on Missions to correspond with Mr. Lowden, regarding the peculiarities of his Pastoral charge, and to ascertain from himself whether the state of his health will permit active service in a wider field, and to report at next meeting of Synod.

Overture for uniform Deed.

Took up Mr. Dick's Overture anent an uniform Deed for Congregational Property, transmitted by the Presbytery of Toronto.

The Draft of a Deed was read by Mr. Dick.

Committee appointed.

After reasoning, it was agreed to appoint a Committee to investigate into all matters regarding the Form of a Deed for Congregational Property—that Messrs. Proudfoot, Jennings and Dick, Ministers; and Robert Christie, Esq., Elder, be said Committee. Mr. Proudfoot, Convener. Committee to report at next meeting of Synod.

Mr. Thornton reported from the Committee to draft a letter of condolence to the Jamaica Mission.

Draft of letter to Jamaica Mission approved of.

On motion the report was approved; and Mr. Thornton was instructed to make a fair copy of said Letter to be signed by the Moderator, and transmitted to the Brethren in Jamaica without delay.

Adjourned to meet at 3 o'clock, P. M.

Closed with prayer.

VI. SEDERUNT.—*Same day and place, 3 o'clock, p.m.*

The Synod met, and was constituted by the Rev. David Caw, Moderator.

Mr. Skinner reported from the Committee to draft a letter of condolence to the Missionaries in Old Calabar.

Draft of letter to Calabar Mission approved of.

On motion, the report was approved of, and Mr. Skinner was instructed to prepare a fair copy of the Draft which has been submitted to the Synod to be signed by the Moderator, and transmitted to the Missionaries in Old Calabar without delay.

The same Committee reported that the letter to the Missionaries in Caffraria was not prepared. Whereupon Mr. Jennings was substituted in place of Mr. Skinner, with instructions to prepare said letter, and to transmit it as soon as possible.

Report of auditing Committee.

The Committee appointed to audit the Accounts of the Synod's Treasurer, and the accounts of the Treasurer of the Grant from the United Presbyterian Synod in Scotland, reported: that they had examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Synod, and had found them correctly kept, and that there is a balance due the Treasurer of £34 9s. 5d. Also, that they had examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Grant from the United Presbyterian Synod in Scotland, and had found these accounts correctly kept, and that there is a balance in the Treasurer's hands of £51 12s. 6d.

Mr. R. Christie read his accounts.

The Synod's Treasurer, Robert Christie, Esq., read his accounts per item.

Thanks given.

The thanks of Synod were given to Mr. Christie, for the diligence and accuracy with which he has performed the duties of his office.

Mr. T. Christie read his accounts.

The Rev. Mr. Christie, Treasurer of the Grant from the United Presbyterian Synod in Scotland, read over his accounts for the last year.

Thanks given.

On motion, it was agreed that Mr. Christie's accounts be sustained and approved of, and that the thanks of the Synod be given to him for the diligence and accuracy with which he has performed his duties as Treasurer. The Moderator accordingly conveyed the thanks of Synod to Mr. Christie.

Adjourned to met at 6½ o'clock, P. M.

Closed with prayer.

VII. SEDERUNT.–*Same day & place, 6½ o'clock, p.m.*

The Synod met and was constituted by the Rev. David Caw, Moderator.

Report on Theological Institute.

Mr. Dick gave in a report from the Committee on the Theological Institute (appointed at the III. Sederunt), of the following tenor, viz:—

1. That one other Session of eight months be held at London, to enable the Professor to prepare some of those Students who are presently at the Institute to enter the Theological Hall. The Session of this year to commence on Wednesday the 5th of September.

2. That all Students recommended by Presbyteries for the Theological Institute, be required to attend for this year the Institute at London, for the period of eight weeks, as their first year.

3. That the First Session of the Theological Institute at Toronto, commence on the first Monday of August, 1850, and that it continue during the period of ten weeks each year.

4. That a Committee be appointed to consider the literary course to be pursued by the Students previous to their being admitted to the Theological Institute. The Committee to report at next meeting of Synod. Mr. Proudfoot, Convener.

Adopted. After deliberation, the Report was unanimously adopted; and Messrs. Proudfoot, Dalrymple, Jennings,

Com'tee appointed Drummond, Dick and Barrie, were appointed the Committee in terms of the above Report.

Report of Examining Committees. The Committees appointed to examine the Minutes of the Presbyteries of London and Flamboro,' reported that the Minutes of said Presbyteries had not been laid before them. Whereupon the Committees were discharged.

Mr. Barrie, from the Committee appointed to examine the Minutes of the Presbytery of Toronto, report—that they had examined said Minutes from the 7th of June 1848, to March 14th, 1849, and had found business orderly conducted, and accurately recorded.

Next Meeting. Appointed next meeting of Synod to be held in the City of Hamilton, on Tuesday after the first Sabbath of June, 1850, at 7 o'clock, P. M.

Minutes to be printed. Ordered, that 400 copies of the Minutes of this Session of Synod be printed as soon as may be.

Committee on Public Questions. Messrs. Thornton, Jennings, Dick, Dalrymple and Christie, were appointed a Committee on public questions, affecting the interests of this Church. Mr. Jennings, Convener.

Delayed all other causes.

Closed with Prayer.

DAVID CAW, *Moderator.*

WM. PROUDFOOT, *Synod Clerk.*

ROLL OF SYNOD FOR JUNE, 1849.

(☞ The figures mark the Sederunts at which the Members were present.)

PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.

MINISTERS.	SEDERUNTS.	ELDERS.	SEDERUNTS.
William Proudfoot,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7		
George Murray.			
James Skinner,	1 2 3 4 6 7		
Alexander McKenzie.			
John McLellan.			
Charles Fletcher,	2 3 4 5 6 7		
John Proudfoot,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7		

PRESBYTERY OF FLAMBORO'.

Thomas Christie,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	Walter Bain,	3
James Roy,	1 2 3 4 5 6	Robert Christie,	1 2 3 4 5 6
Alexander Ritchie,	4 5 6 7		
William Barrie,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7		
Robert Torrance,	1 2 3 4 5 6	Jas. Armstrong,	1 2
David Caw,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	Geo. McVicar,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
George Fisher,	1 3 4 5 6 7		
James R. Dalrymple,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	George Lees,	2 3 4 6 7
John Porteous,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	A. McKnight,	1 2 3
Alexander Drummond,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7		
Alexander Henderson,	1 2 3 4 5 6	John Lowrie,	2 3

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

R. H. Thornton,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7		
John Cassie.			
William Fraser,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7		
George Lawrence,	1 2 3 4		
John Jennings,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	William Bell.	
James Dick,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	James Gilmour.	
David Coutts,	1 2 3 4 5 6	Abraham Rowand.	
Alexander Waddel.			
James Pringle,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	James Hunter,	1 2 3 4

PRESBYTERY OF CANADA EAST.

William Taylor.
Alexander Lowden
John Morrison.
William Aitkin.

DISTRIBUTION OF PREACHERS AND EVANGELIST OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

1849.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.
Rev. Walter Scott	L. 2, 3, 4.	1, 2, 3. M. 4, 5,	1, 2, 3, 4.	T.1,2,3,4. F.5,	1, 2, 3. L. 4,	1, 2, 3, 4,	1. F. 1, 2, 3, 4
MrWilliamChristie	F. 2, 3. T. 4	1, 2, 3, 4, 5.	F. 1, 2, 3. L. 4,	1, 2, 3, 4, 5.	F.1,2,3.M.4,	1, 2, 3, 4.	L. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5
Rev. John Duff —	———	———	T. 1, 2, 3. F. 4,	1, 2, 3, 4. L. 5,	1, 2, 3, 4.	F.1,2,3. T.4,	1, 2, 3, 4, 5
Mr. Logie ———	———	———	L. 1, 2, 3, 4,	1, 2. F. 3, 4, 5	T. 1, 2, 3, 4.	F.1,2,3. L.4,	1, 2, 3. M. 4, 5
Rev. A. Kennedy—	L. 2, 3, 4.	1, 2. F. 3, 4, 5,	1, 2, 3, 4.	T. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5,	1, 2. L. 3, 4,	1, 2, 3, 4,	1, 2, 3, 4, 5

N. B.—Vacancies in the Presbyteries respectively—London, 5 ; Flamboro,' 4 ; Toronto, $3\frac{1}{2}$; Montreal, 2.

Proportion of Supply—London, $10\frac{19}{20}$; Flamboro', $8\frac{3}{20}$; Toronto, $7\frac{7}{20}$; Montreal, $4\frac{1}{20}$.

D. COUTTS, *Convener.*

MISSION FUND.

Charge against the Treasurer.

1848. June 8.—Balance brought forward,			£37	11 9½
9.—Brampton Congregation,			1	9 3
Dec. 5.—Chinguacousy do.			1	9 2½
1849. Jan. 24.—Ayr do.			5	0 0
27.—Hamilton do.			3	12 0
28.—St. George, £2 5s. 2d. Middleton, £5,			7	5 2
West Gwillimsbury do.			1	15 0
Tecumseth do.			1	5 10
Essa do.			0	19 7
Innisfil, do.	0 7 6			
June 6.— Do. do.	0 15 5	—1	2	11
Beverly do.		0	5	0
English Settlement do.		1	2	6
Bethel Proof-Line do.		0	12	7½
Goderich do.		0	17	9
Bayfield Station		0	6	3
McKillop do. £1 13 9 { less post-		3	4	5
Stanley do. 1 11 3 { age, 7d.				
Blenheim do.		0	10	0
Woodstock do.		0	5	0
London do.		2	18	2
Whitby do.		1	0	0
		£72	12	5½

Discharge.

June 9.—Paid Rev. A. W. Waddell, to supplement allowance from Congregations for twenty-five Sabbaths,	£4	0	0
Balance due by the Treasurer,	68	12	5½
	£72	12	5½

June 7, 1849.—We, the undersigned, appointed by the Synod to audit the Treasurer's Books, have examined the same, and find the above accounts correct, and that there is a balance in the Treasurer's hands of £68 12s. 5½d.

[signed,] WM. BARRIE, ALEX. A. DRUMMOND.

THEOLOGICAL AND SYNOD FUND.

1848. Charge against the Treasurer.

June 8.—Balance of last Account,					£13	0	10
9.—Brampton Congregation,					1	2	11½
Pickering	do.	Synod Fund,			2	5	0
Nov. 23.—Brantford	do.				1	5	0
Mount Pleasant	do.				0	12	6
26.—St. George	do.	£1	18	10½			
Middleton	do.	1	8	7½	—3	7	6
Decr. 5.—Hamilton	do.				4	13	11
Guelph	do.				2	0	0
Eramosa	do.				1	17	6
Paris	do.				2	10	0
Albion	do.				2	4	4½
Vaughan	do.				1	6	4½
1849. Ayr	do.				1	6	9½
Feby. 8.—Pickering	do.				1	0	0
New Glasgow	do.				1	18	6
28.—Esquesing	do.				1	5	0
West Gwillimsbury	do.				1	8	6½
Tecumseth	do.				0	12	11½
Essa	do.				1	1	0½
Innisfil	do.				0	7	6
March 31—Missionary Society of the Beverly and West Flamboro' Congregation, Academy,		£2	10				
Synod Fund,		2	10	—5	0	0	
April 16.—Guelph	do.				3	15	7½
May 8.— Do.	do.	Synod Fund,			1	5	0
27.—St. George	do.	Synod Fund,	£1	11 3			
Middleton	do.		1	0 0	—2	11	3
June 4.—Mount Pleasant	do.	Synod Fund,			0	10	0
5.—Hamilton	do.	do.			3	9	6
Brantford	do.	do.			1	5	0
St. Catharines	do.	Ac.&Synod Fund,			3	14	2
6.—Paris	do.	do.			2	0	0
Beverly	do.	do.			1	5	5
Richmond Hill	do.	do.			2	8	4
Thorn Hill	do.	do.			0	15	5
English Settlement	do.	do.			0	10	0
Bethel	do.	do.			0	8	2
London	do.	do.			0	18	0
McKillop	do.	Academy for 1848,	£1	16 6			
Stanley	do.	do.	0	13 6			
Less Postage,					7—2	9	5
English Settlement Congregation,					1	1	9
Bethel and Proof-Line	do.				1	1	10
London	do.				2	9	0
Toronto Township and Brampton	do.	for 1848,			1	11	3
Eramosa	do.	do.	do.		2	3	0
7.—Ayr		do	do.		1	2	1
Balance due the Treasurer,					34	9	5½
					£121	9	11½

Discharge.

1848.			
June 9.—Paid Rev. Mr. Proudfoot's Salary as Synod Clerk,	£5	0	0
July 3.—Paid Rev. Mr. Proudfoot one Quarter's Salary as Professor,	15	0	0
October 2.—Paid do. do.	15	0	0
1849.			
January 4.—Paid do. do.	15	0	0
" Paid printing 350 copies of Minutes of Synod,	4	16	0
And 564 slips Congregational Statistics,	1	7	6
March 3.—Paid Rev. Mr. Barrie Travelling Expences when visiting Academy,	2	0	0
" Paid Rev. John Jennings do.	4	0	0
March 26.—Paid Rev. W. Proudfoot one Quarter's Salary as Professor,	15	0	0
June 6.—Paid Rev. Mr. McKenzie's expences as Hebrew Tutor,	2	15	0
" Rev. Mr. Fraser as Assistant Clerk of Synod,	6	0	0
" Rev. Mr. Proudfoot as Clerk of Synod,	10	0	0
" Paid printing 1000 copies Proceedings of Committees on Union, £16 2 0			
" Printed Covers, 0 15 0			
" Bookbinder, 2 10 0			
" Packing-box, 0 2 6—19	9	6	

Books for Library.

Gesenius's Hebrew Grammar,	£0	17	6				
Paterson's Catechism,	0	2	6				
Clerk for Postages,	1	4	5½	—2	4	5½	
" Rent of Class-Room for 6 months,				3	5	0	
" 2 cords of Wood for Class-Room,				0	12	6	
				£121	9	11½	

JUNE 7, 1849.—We, the undersigned, appointed by the Synod to audit the Treasurer's Accounts have examined the above, and find them correct, and that there is a balance due to the Treasurer of £34 9s. 5½d.

(SIGNED) WM. BARRIE, ALEX. A. DRUMMOND.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS.

The Committee appointed to devise and suggest means by which the Synod's resolution in page 46 of the printed minutes may be rendered more efficient, have agreed to recommend,

1st. That there be a standing Committee on Missions, consisting of at least four ministers and as many elders, with the Synod's Treasurers.

2nd. That the Committee be selected, so far as distance does not imperatively forbid, from the various Presbyteries; and that annually, the minister and elder whose names are found at the head of the list retire, their places being supplied by a new appointment.

3rd. That the Committee shall have under its charge, and give authority to the Treasurers for disbursing the Missionary funds of the Synod, consisting of the annual grant from the United Presbyterian Synod in Scotland, and the sum raised for Missions by collections and contributions in the church in Canada.

4th. That it shall be a special object of the Committee to effect, if possible, the diminution, from year to year, and the gradual extinction of the need of foreign aid, for existing congregations and stations, by the increasing amount and efficiency of the resources obtained in the Province.

5th. Tha tCongregations applying for aid, shall send their Petitions, with all the necessary documents, to their respective Presbyteries for examination, certification, and transmission to the Committee, who shall make all appropriations from year to year, immediately after the date fixed by Synod for the return of the Congregational Statistics.

6th. That the Committee shall use all diligence to have one or more of the Stations, or weaker congregations, aided to the necessary extent, by grants from the fund raised in Canada, and in this way proceed to the point at which the whole church, at least to its present extent, may be sustained by its own resources.

7th. That the Committee, paying strict regard to the rights of Presbyteries, and in due consultation and concert with them, shall endeavour to have the collections enjoined by the Synod punctually reported, shall correspond with ministers or session clerks for the purpose, shall be free to send a deputy or deputies of their own number, or such as they shall obtain by Presbyterial appointment, to lay the claims of the mission before congregations, to stimulate liberality of all and induce them who are in the receipt of aid to exert themselves

for a place among the self-supporting churches; and shall have it for consideration, whether they may recommend to the Synod from year to year, or less statedly, to send a deputation to the congregations or arrange a system of mutual visitation among the Presbyteries for the statement of the Missionary objects of the Synod, and the promotion of a liberal spirit.

8th. That the Committee shall present at the meeting of Synod in summer, a report of the Missionary contributions and grants, and of its general business for the year, to be read in whole or in part, at the opening of the Sederunt of Wednesday evening, when the remainder of the Sederunt shall be devoted to the hearing of addresses on Missionary subjects, from two or more brethren previously engaged by the Committee, and to occasional notices of the progress of the cause in the various parts of the Province, with suggestions for the improvement or extension of the whole plan of operations.

9th. That the report of the Committee, or so much of it, as shall exhibit the financial business of the year, with what additions the court shall determine, be printed with the Minutes of Synod.

10th. The Committee would farther recommend that the Synod instruct ministers to state the substance of these proposals to their respective congregations, and endeavour to engage their interest, and lead them to new efforts in their behalf. It might be of advantage to direct that the subject of Missions should be the theme of discourse in all the congregations on some given sabbath; or if the Synod may deem it proper, an address might be prepared and sent to the congregations urging on them the duty of doing their utmost, as Christian men, from Christian motives, to maintain ordinances among themselves, and to help in providing them for others.

Lastly. That the Synod take order that the existing recommendation be carried into effect, viz., to have a Missionary Society formed in every congregation either in place of, or in addition to the annual collection.

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